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[Despatch Abstract.]

Derationing — South Kanara District — Deration rural areas — Enhancement of scale of issue of rice from 2 ozs to 6 ozs. from Fair price shops Orders passed.

Special

BOARD OF REVENUE (CIVIL SUPPLIES)

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SUBJECT

DERATIONING - South Kanara District - Derationed rural areas - Enhancement of rice content of ration-s from 2 oz. to 6 ozs. - proposals - submitted.

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Board's Ref:No.49169-W4/54.CS., dated. 22-7-1954.

From

Sri S. Venkateswaran, I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

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Sri K. Suppa Menon, I.A.S.,
Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Chepauk, Madras.5,

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Read: From the Collector of South Kanara, Ref:No. 15285/54.P.1., dated.22-6-1954 .

2. —do— dated. 11-7-1954.

The Board submits herewith copies of the Collector's reports cited.

2. For the reasons stated in his letter first cited, the Collector of South Kanara submitted proposals for enhancement of the scale of rice ~~rather~~ in the rural areas from 2 oz., to 6 oz. per adult per day up to the middle of November, 1954 when the produce of the main harvest would beg-in to flow into the market. It was then pointed out to him that consequent on the removal of the zonal restrictions with effect from 1-7-54 large stocks would be moved into the district on trade account and he was asked to report whether in view of that he still considered it necessary to implement his proposals. In reply to this the Collector has reiterated his recommendation to increase the rations in his letter second cited.

3. The Board submits that based on the weekly offtake of rice thro' Fair Price Shops in the derationed ~~balances~~ during the two weekly period ended 3-7-1954 the monthly requirements of rice works out to 306 tons at the 6 ozs. scale and that the additional requirements for giving effect to the Collector's proposals will be about 204 tons per month. In the circumstances stated by the Collector and in view of the satisfactory position of rice in the State, the Board recommends that the Collector's proposal to enhance the scale of rice from 2 ozs to 6 ozs. in the derationed ~~rural~~ areas of South Kanara district may be accepted. It requests urgent orders in the matter.

FOR SECRETARY.

To

The Secretary to the Government,
Agriculture Department, Madras. (with encl)

VG.22.7

Copy of the letter Ref:C.No.15285/54.Pl.,dated 22-6-1954. from the Collector of South Kanara, Mangalore.

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CIVIL SUPPLIES - Rice- South Kanara District . Enhancement of rice contents of rations from 2 ozs. to 4 ozs. per adult per day in the rural de-rationed areas of South Kanara District - proposals submitted.

pp73-74 of 6(2) Ref: Government Memo.No.12421/AIII/54.4(Agricultural) Dept. dated 15-4-54.

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With the revival of the issue of 2 ozs. of rice per adult per day in the derationed rural areas of the South Kanara District ordered in the Government Memo. cited above, 2 ozs. of rice and 8 ozs. of wheat are being issued through Fair Price shops in these areas from 9-5-54. The overall stock of wheat in the District is dwindling and is likely to be exhausted soon. After the exhaustion of the present stock the issue of wheat through F.P.Shops in the rural derationed areas will have to be stopped as there will be no further supplies of wheat on Government account to this district, with the result that only 2 ozs. of rice will have to be issued thereafter. The F.P.Shops in these areas are not many and are situated here and there and the consumers residing in village parts will have to walk a very long distance to go to these shops. If only 2 ozs. of rice is to be issued the consumers will find it not worthwhile to walk this distance leaving their work for drawing this meagre 2 ozs. rice ration which will not be sufficient even to meet two days' requirements and the very purpose of reviving the rice rations, i.e., to give relief to the poor consumers in derationed rural areas and also to relieve the strain on the open market rice will be thereby defeated. The majority of consumers in these areas will be forced to depend on open market rice. The F.P.Shop keepers also will find it uneconomical to run the shops if only 2 ozs. of rice ration is to be issued as the offtake will be very poor. The benefit of the revival of the issue of rice rations will therefore be lost if the scale of rice rations is not increased. It is seen from the Government Memo.No.68171AII/54.5, dated 7-6-1954 that ~~seen from the Government M~~ the supply position of rice in the State has improved very much which has enabled the Govt. to raise ration from 7 ozs. to 12 ozs. in the Districts of Malabar and Nilgiris and Hosdrug SubTaluk of South Kanara district. I, therefore, request that the Board may be pleased to address the Government to increase the scale of rice ration in the De-rationed Rural areas of this District from 2 ozs. to 6 ozs. per adult per day, so that the poor and middle class consumers get a substantial relief during the lean months when prices of foodgrains in the open market go up even during normal years. It is sufficient if this enhancement is allowed to be in force up to the middle of November, 1954 as the produce from the main harvest will begin to flow into the market in November.

I request the favour of early orders.

Yours faithfully,
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(TRUE COPY)

S. Raghunatha
SUPERINTENDENT.

V.C.22.7

Copy of the letter REF:C.NO:15285.54.P., dated, 11-7-1954 from the Collector of South Kanara, Mangalore.

SUB: DERATIONING - South Kanara District - Derationed rural areas - enhancement of rice content of rations from 2 ozs. to 6 ozs. Proposals.

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Board's Ref:No.49169.U4/54/dated.1-7-54.

Though the price of local rice in the open market has come down with the removal of Zonal Scheme, it is still high and not within the easy reach of poor persons residing in the rural areas. So far there has been no appreciable flow of rice into Mangalore from outside the District and the quantity imported from other centres is consumed in the urban areas. The agriculture operations are coming to a close and hereafter the labour classes who were so far been receiving wages in kind, have to depend on the open market for their requirements till the commencement of next harvest i.e., in October, The price of II sort rice in the open market ranges from 0-8-6 to 0-9-0 as against 0-7-1 per seer charged for II sort rice issued from the Fair Price shops. Representation are being received from labour and middle class people for the enhancement of the rice contents of the rations issued from the Fair Price shops in the de-rationed rural areas. I, therefore, still consider that it is necessary to impelement the proposal submitted with in my reference 15285. 54.P1, dated 22-6-54. I request the favour of early orders.

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For collector.

(true copy)

S. Raghupathi
SUPERINTENDENT.

VG.22.7

(C.NO.101682.A.III/54).

AGRICULTURE DEPTT.(A.III).

DERATIONING - South Kanara District - Derationed rural areas - Enhancement of scale of issue of rice from 2 ozs. to 6 ozs. from Fair price shops - Orders passed.

REF:1.Govt. Memo.No.12421.A.III/54-Agriculture, dated 15.4.54.

2.From the Bd. of Rev.(C.S.) Ref.No.49169-U4/54.C.S. dated 22.7.54.

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In the circumstances stated by the Board of Revenue (C.S.) in its reference cited Government accept its recommendation that the issue of 2 ozs. of rice through fair price shops in the derationed rural areas of South Kanara district ordered in the Govt. Memorandum cited be enhanced to 6 ozs. per adult per day from the 8th August 1954 till the middle of November 1954.

2. The Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) is requested to take immediate necessary action accordingly.

To

The Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) [By S.M.]

Copy to the Collector of South Kanara.

Copy to A.I. Section.
" A.II. Section.
" A.IV. Section.

S.F.
S.Cs.

C.NO.101682.A.III/54.)

SUB: DERATIONING - S. Kanara dt. - Derationed rural areas - Enhancement of rice content of rations from 2 ozs. to 6 ozs. - Proposals.

REF: From the Bd. of Rev.(C.S.) No.49169. U4/54.C.S., dated 22.7.1954.

The reference from the Bd. of Rev.(C.S.) at pp.1-5 c.f. may be perused.

2. In April last orders were issued for the issue of 7 ozs. of rice in the ex-statutory rationed areas and for the revival of the issue of 2 ozs. of rice per adult per day through the fair price shops in the derationed rural areas with effect from 18.4.54. Subsequently the Collector of South Kanara submitted proposals for the enhancement of the scale of rice ration in the rural areas from 2 ozs. to 6 ozs. per adult per day upto the middle of November. It was then pointed out to the Collector that consequent on the removal of the zonal restrictions with effect from 1.7.54 large stocks would be moved into the district on trade account and he was asked to report whether in view of that he still considered it necessary to implement his proposals. The Collector has stated that though the price of local rice in the open market has come down with the removal of Zonal Scheme it is still high and not within the easy reach of poor persons regiding in the rural areas and that there has been no appreciabl flow of rice into Mangalore from outside the district and the quantity imported from other centres is consumed in the urban areas. He has also stated that the price of II sort rice in the open market ranges from Re 0-8-6 to 0-9-0 as against Re 0-7-1 per seer charged for II sort rice issued from the Fair price shops. In the

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circumstances reported by the Collector the Bd. of Rev.(C.S.) has recommended ~~for~~ the enhancement of the scale of rice ration from 2 ozs. to 6 ozs. in the derationed rural areas of the district. The Board has also stated that based on the weekly offtake of rice through Fair price shops in the derationed rural areas the monthly requirements of rice works out to 306 tons at 6 ozs. scale and that the additional requirements for giving effect to the Collector's proposal will be about 204 tons per month.

3. Now, Government of India have removed all controls over rice throughout the country with effect from 10.7.54. All restrictions on movements ~~were~~ are withdrawn. Further, procurement of rice has been given up. The Govt. has decided to continue to distribute rice at present rate until open market prices go below the present Govt. issue prices resulting in cessation of offtakes from Govt. shops.

4 In view of the present satisfactory improved position of foodgrains and in the circumstances reported the Board's recommendation for the enhancement of the scale of rice ration from 2 ozs. to 6 ozs. per adult per day in the derationed rural areas of S. Kanara district till the middle of November'54 may be accepted.

27/7/54 Sec'y
27.7.54

The Bd's proposal to increase the rice ration in the derationed rural areas of S. Kanara Dt from 2 oz. to 6 oz. per adult per day may be accepted.

ER
28/7/54

Maybe accepted, but the use of the phrase "rice ration" will be avoided. We may say that the scale of issue of rice from F.P. Shops in the derationed rural areas in S. Kanara Dt. will be increased to 6 oz. per adult per day.

CPG
28.7.54

~~ADS~~ MD
29.7.54

AGRICULTURE DEPTT.(A.III)

NOTE FOR CIRCULATION.

This file relates to the proposal for the enhancement of the quantity of rice ~~from 2 ozs. to 6 ozs.~~ issued through fair price shops in the derationed rural areas of the South Kanara District from 2 oz. to 6 oz. per adult per Day.

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2. In April last, orders were issued for the issue of 7 ozs. of rice in the ex-statutory rationed urban areas and for the revival of the issue of 2 ozs. of rice per adult per day through the fair price shops in the derationed rural areas of South Kanara District with effect from 18.4.54. Subsequently, the Collector of South Kanara submitted proposals to the Board for the enhancement of the scale of rice ration in the rural areas from 2 ozs. to 6 ozs. per adult per day upto the middle of November. The Board then pointed out to the Collector that consequent on the removal of zonal restrictions with effect from 1.7.54 large stocks would be moved into the district on trade account. He was asked to report whether in view of that he still considered it necessary to implement his proposals. The Collector has reported that though the price of local rice in the open market has come down with the removal of Zonal Scheme it is still high and not within the easy reach of poor persons residing in the rural areas and that there has been no appreciable flow of rice into Mangalore from outside the district and the quantity imported from other centres is consumed in the urban areas. He has also stated that the price of II Sort of rice in the open market ranges from Re.0-8-6 to 0-9-0 as against Re.0-7-1 per seer charged for II Sort rice issued from the Fair Price shops. The Board of Revenue (C.S.) has stated that based on the weekly offtake of rice

through the fair price shops in the derationed rural areas of the district the monthly requirements of rice works out to 306 tons at 6 ozs. scale and the additional requirements for giving effect to the Collector's proposal will be about 204 tons per month.

3. Now that the Govt. of India have removed all controls over rice throughout the country with effect from 10.7.54 all restrictions on movements are withdrawn. Further, procurement of rice has been given up. The Govt. have ~~deemed~~ decided to continue to distribute rice at present rate until open market prices go below the present Govt. issue prices resulting in cessation of offtakes from Govt. shops. In the circumstances reported by the Collector and the Board and in view of the present satisfactory position of foodgrains it is proposed to accept Board's recommendation for the enhancement of the scale of issue of rice from 2 ozs. to 6 ozs. per adult per day from fair price shops in the derationed rural areas of South Kanara District till the middle of November, 1954.

The file may be circulated to M(A) for approval of the above proposal.

30/7/54 SM 30.7.54

V Venkata Ramany 31.7.54

C Gopalan Nair AOS 31.7.54

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M(A) M. Bhaktavatsalam 3.8.54

To A.S.

Pl. see the orders in circulation above & draft order is submitted for approval

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ADS

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